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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITIES REPORT FROM THE PRINCIPALS,
THURSDAY, MAY 22, 1975

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ROBERT S. INGERSOLL

AT THIS MORNING'S PRINCIPALS AND REGIONALS STAFF MEETING
WE REVIEWED THE REACTION EMANATING FROM THE MIDDLE EAST
TO SCHLESINGER'S RECENT COMMENTS ON HOW WE MIGHT RESPOND
TO ANOTHER OIL EMBARGO. GEORGE VEST REPORTED ON THE
INDIAN OCEAN TALKS IN LONDON WHICH TOOK PLACE EARLIER
THIS WEEK, AND WE REVIEWED IN SOME DETAIL THE DETERIORATING
SITUATION IN LAOS.

LLOYD CUTLER, REPRESENTING NORTHROP'S OUTSIDE DIRECTORS,
CAME IN TO CONFIRM THAT NORTHROP HAD PAID SOME \$20 MILLION
IN AGENT'S FEES FOR ONE FMS CONTRACT WITH SAUDI ARABIA.
\$250,000 HAS ALLEGEDLY GONE TO A FORMER CHIEF OF SAUDI
ARABIA'S AIR FORCE AND A FURTHER \$200,000 TO THE PRESENT
CHIEF. CUTLER EXPECTS THAT THESE SPECIFIC FEES WILL
BECOME PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE SOON BECAUSE OF THE SEC AND
CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATIONS. HE PROBED TO SEE IF
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WE WOULD WISH TO ADVISE HIM AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE

NAMES OF THE AIR FORCE RECIPIENTS SHOULD BE DISCLOSED TO THE CHURCH SUBCOMMITTEE, AND WAS TOLD THAT WE ARE NOT IN A POSITION TO OFFER ADVICE. I DID AGREE TO HELP LAY THE GROUNDWORK WITH THE SAUDIS IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE ANY DAMAGE WHICH MIGHT RESULT. WE ARE REVIEWING OUR POLICY ON AGENT'S FEES IN THE CASE OF FMS SALES AND HOPE TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENTS WITH MAJOR PURCHASERS OF U.S. MILITARY EQUIPMENT WHICH WOULD EFFECTIVELY PRECLUDE SUCH FEES.

I MET WITH SENEGALESE FOREIGN MINISTER SECK AND ATTEMPTED TO DISABUSE HIM OF HIS IMPRESSION THAT THE U.S. IS BACKING ONE OF THE ANGOLAN REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS. SECK HAD ECONOMIC MATTERS MUCH ON HIS MIND, INCLUDING FOLLOW-ON TO THE PREPCON AND THE INDEXATION OF RAW MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURED GOODS.

DURING THE COURSE OF THE DAY, I WORKED WITH ZURHELLEN, SCOWCROFT AND OTHERS ON GUIDANCE TO EMBASSY VIENTIANE.

ALSO DURING THE DAY: THE PRESIDENT'S LUNCHEON FOR SENGHOR; THE SENEGAL AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION FOR SENGHOR; AND A MEETING WITH OUR AID DIRECTOR FROM THAILAND.

TOMORROW: PREPARATIONS FOR VP MEETING AND HOWARD UNIVERSITY LUNCHEON FOR SENGHOR.

FROM T - CARLYLE E. MAW

AFTER ATTENDING BOB INGERSOLL'S STAFF MEETING, I ATTENDED HIS MEETING WITH LLOYD CUTLER AND OTHERS TO DISCUSS NORTHROP CORPORATION'S INVOLVEMENT IN PAYMENT OF UNREASONABLE AGENT'S FEES ON FMS CONTRACTS.

BOB MCCLOSKEY AND I LUNCHEONED WITH CONGRESSMAN FRASER TO DISCUSS PROPOSED SECURITY ASSISTANCE LEVELS FOR KOREA AND CHILE IN LIGHT OF SECTION 502B OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT. FRASER HAS AT LONG LAST COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT TINKERING WITH FOREIGN ASSISTANCE LEVELS FOR KOREA WILL NOT ALTER OR INFLUENCE PARK'S CONDUCT IN RELATION TO
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HUMAN RIGHTS. HE DIDN'T SAY SO, BUT I HAVE THE IMPRESSION HE WILL GO ALONG WITH OUR REGULAR MAP PROGRAM TO FULFILL OUR PROMISE TO MODERNIZE THE KOREAN ARMY.

APPEARED WITH JOHN NORTON MOORE AND TOM CLINGAN AT SENATOR PELL'S SUBCOMMITTEE HEARING ON LAW OF THE SEA. PELL CALLED THE HEARING TO PROVIDE US WITH A FRIENDLY FORUM TO REPORT ON THE GENEVA SESSION AND TO DISCUSS OUR

INTERIM POLICY. WE INDICATED THAT WE WOULD PROVIDE SHORTLY OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON 200 MILE FISHERIES LEGISLATION AND THAT WE EXPECTED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE COMMITTEE.

FROM EAGLEBURGER

I APPROVED A REQUEST THAT AMBASSADOR UNGER BE QUESTIONED ABOUT LAOS BY THE STAFF OF THE CHURCH COMMITTEE, PROVIDING A DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE BE PRESENT TO MAKE A RECORD.

I SENT DEAN BROWN YOUR MESSAGE ACQUIESCING IN HIS DEPARTURE FROM THE TASK FORCE.

I SIGNED OFF ON AN AGREEMENT WITH AFSA APPROVING NEW PER DIEM LEVELS FOR STUDENTS AT FSI. THIS, HOPEFULLY, WILL REMOVE AT LEAST ONE OF THE BARRIERS WHICH KEEPS FSOS FROM CONTINUING THEIR TRAINING AT MID-CAREER AND ABOVE. ALSO ON THE SUBJECT OF AFSA I AUTHORIZED OUR EMPLOYEE-MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO NEGOTIATE ON THE SUBJECT OF OVERTIME PAYMENTS TO DUTY OFFICERS. INGERSOLL

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